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A fun, flirty crossover novel from bestselling authors Jennifer Bernard (the Love Between the Bases series) and Erin Nicholas (the Sapphire Falls series)

Caitlyn Murray has never let on that she's had fantasies about her brother's friend Eli Anderson for years. She'd do anything for the sexy, baseball star who's given it all up to stay in Sapphire Falls and take care of his family, but she and Eli are friends. Just friends.

So when her brother hatches a plan to get Eli to the pro baseball try-out for the Kilby Catfish that he has dreamed of and deserves, Caitlyn is all in. After all, what's a little kidnapping among friends?

A spot on the pitcher's mound for the Catfish isn't the only tempting thing about the spontaneous road trip. Eli already knows that Caitlyn is as sweet as the candies she makes for the Sapphire Falls bakery, but alone with her overnight in the tiny motel room in Kansas, it's impossible to resist the urge to take a little taste.

But when that taste leads to falling for the girl next door just as his front door is moving hundreds of miles away, can Eli really have it all? Or do they have too many strikes against them?

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Krista says

Part 3 went by just as quickly as the first two parts. Caitlyn and Eli's story continues. Part 3 picks up with Eli spending his time with the Kilby Catfish while Caitlyn remains in Sapphire Falls. How long could a long distance relationship last? And more importantly what would happen when Eli was called up to the major leagues? Would this cause major problems in their relationship? When Eli shows up one day out of the blue Caitlyn doesn't know what to think. Will Eli give up everything that he has worked so hard for to be with her and more importantly will she let him? This third installment will have you sitting on the edge of your seat turning each page wondering how this story will end. Of course I will not give anything away. Once again I have to give kudos to Jennifer Bernard and Erin Nicholas for a great cross over novel. Their writing is seamless. You truly don't know where one author begins and the other picks up. The book was not choppy and the story flows from front to back. I sincerely hope that this is not the last that we have heard from the Sapphire Falls/Love Between the bases series. It really was a treat!

Laura says

What a fantastic novel! Jennifer and Erin did an amazing job combining their two writing styles. I loved the humor and bumps that lead to Eli and Caitlyn's HEA and it's baseball who doesn't love baseball. If you want a good book to get you wound up for summer this one will have jumping up and down in the stands. It's a grand slam.

Kristy says

Home Run! conclusion to Getting Wound Up: A Sapphire Falls/ Love Between the Bases novel-- PART THREE by Erin Nicholas and Jennifer Bernard. My heart was in my throat at the end of Part Two, and almost immediately began to sink again, when I read the rest. But you KNOW, that these wonderful authors will redeem their characters in the BEST way possible. Well done, ladies! These are going on my reread list.

Kelli Jo says

Eli is lonely - on the road and in Kilby - without Caitlyn. He cannot believe she just gave up on them. Other girls throw themselves at him, but he's just not interested. Caitlyn is determined to help her brother. But he is showing her every day that he does not need her help - he needs to do more things for himself and their mother needs to realize he is not going to be who he was physically before his accident. She can help. He convinces Caitlyn that she needs to follow her heart - not him - he can only do so much to matchmake for her Caitlyn and Eli. Eli realizes that he cannot live away from Caitlyn and if that means leaving baseball - as he is called to the San Diego Friars - he must walk away and back to Caitlyn. But can they just have it all?!

Maria Rose says

This third and final part of a 3 part series successfully and happily completes the romance for this sweet and sexy couple. Assuming you know what's happened in parts 1 and 2 (spoiler alert if not, you need to read those first!), we left off with Caitlyn and Eli not together and not very happy either. Cait's gone back to Sapphire Falls to be part of the support system for her invalid brother and Eli's busy with his baseball career. But it's not long before Eli realizes that this just isn't going to work for him - he'd rather a lifetime with Cait then being away from her playing ball. When he comes home to convince Cait of this, they manage to find a compromise that works for both of them, and leads to a wonderful happy ending for the couple. I loved seeing the glimpses of Cait's brother Bryan, his strength and determination to work through his injury and I'm looking forward to reading his story next in the Sapphire Falls series. This combination of baseball and small town romance with Cait and Eli was a home run for me. 5 stars for this last part, and 4.5 stars for the 3 part series as a whole. If you're looking for a low angst, sweet and sexy romance, you'll find it here.

Note: a copy of this story was provided by the authors for review.

Eileen says

Getting Wound Up is collaboration by Jennifer Bernard and Erin Nicholas. It is also a crossover book between their two series, Jennifer's Love Between the Bases and Erin's Sapphire Falls.

Part 3 begins where Part 2 ends. Ty and Caitlyn bring Bryan home to Sapphire Falls to recover from his surgery. Caitlyn believes her brother needs her help and sacrifices her relationship with Eli to stay there.

In the meantime, back in Kilby, Eli gets the call from the Friars to move to San Diego and play in the big leagues. Instead of answering he goes AWOL, returning to Sapphire Falls. He needs to see Caitlyn. He's lonely and needs to see her. He is ready to marry her.

Both characters need to learn that they don't have to carry the world on their shoulders, but to live the life they choose. That life can give you all you want without sacrificing yourself.

I highly recommend book to all readers. I am very impressed with this collaboration. The plot was riveting and kept my attention to the very end. I struggled with putting this book down! I hope these two wonderful authors join forces for more crossover stories.

Jenna says

Hold on to your Cracker Jacks...

This brilliant crossover series has hit one out of the park! Kidnapping and family matchmaking make this delightful story of family values, friendship, love, and never giving up on your dreams a must read. This is one to talk about and share with all of your friends. Who doesn't love a dirty happily ever after?

Kristina Birch says

Getting Wound UP is a crossover book between the Erin Nicholas's Sapphire Falls series and Jennifer Bernard's Love Between the Bases series, but you don't have to have read any books in either series to fall in love with Caitlyn and Eli! He is the hometown boy who could've made it to Major League Baseball but for a family health crisis. She's the girl who grew-up and moved away but upon returning home to Sapphire Falls, due to her own family health crisis, finds herself falling for her older brother's best friend. Caitlyn as always liked and admired Eli but now it's so much more, which she can handle as long as he doesn't find out...too bad she's tasked with kidnapping Eli and delivering him to an open try out for a MLB team. Will his big league dreams finally come true and if they do what does that mean for her dreams of happily ever after with Eli in their home town?

Bernard and Nicholas team up to deliver an amazingly fun and romantic story that is serialized over three parts. In Part Three both Caitlyn and Eli have to decide what they are willing to sacrifice in order to be with one another. For Caitlyn it's about deciding if she has to choose between being her family's support system and her happily ever after with Eli. For Eli it's about deciding if he can give up his big league dreams to have the dream of Caitlyn forever. Each author brings her unique talents to the story but they are such a great match that it is impossible to tell who wrote what scene. Expect to laugh, fan yourself from the heat and sexiness, and ultimately fall in love right along with Eli and Caitlyn!

Staci says

What a fantastic conclusion to this book. Eli is trying to deal with Caitlyn giving up on them. This part forces both Caitlyn and Eli to deal with their issues and trying to figure out the best way for them to work things out while still fulfilling their dreams. It was a great book and I would love to see more stories between the two fictional towns.

Rebecca from Cover to Cover Book Blog says

Eli was determined but so was Caitlyn. They were also both miserable and the families have had enough. Bryan made a plan with his sister and they prayed it worked. Caitlyn had a plan up her sleeve, and dreams really do come true!

Isha Coleman says

"Never give up on your dreams." It's an easy mantra to recite, a hard phrase to forget-but not as easy to live up to. Life throws us all curve balls that sets us on a different course and pretty soon we miss out on our plans. In Getting Wound Up that's what happened to Eli. He'd given up and forged a new path filled with adult responsibilities but persuasive friends gave him the courage to take a second look and make his dream a reality. I am not a sports fan. I am a romance fan. Getting Wound Up mixes both to create a story that has more heart, charm and fun than one story should. This story takes the best of both authors Erin Nicholas and Jennifer Bernard and creates a story about the bonds of friendship, determination and love with a central theme that hits home. Seductive, entertaining and enjoyable. Was hard not to fall in love.

Bette Hansen says

You don't want to miss this amazing conclusion what has been one of my favorite books this year. I have loved how these two authors have woven the locations and characters of each of their series into this story. And with the conclusion we can finally find out if Eli and Caitlyn will be able to find a way to make things work for them. Eli's living his dream playing for the Catfish but is it a dream come true if his heart is in Sapphire Falls? You want to grab a copy of this one and find out what happens when Eli gets "the" call! I highly recommend it.

Orla says

I would have loved more to this ending

Jennifer says

In the awesome conclusion to Getting Wound Up, Caitlyn has to fly back to Sapphire Falls when her idiot brother gets hurt again doing something stupid. She realizes she can't just stay in Kilby with Eli when her family needs her.

But Eli needs her too. So much so that he's willing to leave baseball and the Major Leagues behind for her. For him. For their dreams together.

Can they figure out how to have it all and be completely happy doing it?

Abby says

Received an ARC in exchange for an honest review.

"Getting Wound Up" is written by Erin Nicholas and Jennifer Bernard. It is a crossover novel between Erin's Sapphire Falls series and Jennifer's *Love Between the Bases* series. This is the 3rd part in a 3-part novel and concludes the story. It features Eli Anderson and Caitlyn Murray.

Eli has an opportunity to get called up to the major league team, but it's a tough decision for him. Meanwhile, Caitlyn deals with her own struggles because even though she wants to be with Eli, she also wants to be there for her brother, Bryan, in Sapphire Falls.

They love each other, but is love enough? Without giving the ending away, the way the story ended was fitting and brought a smile to my face. It just tied everything together!

Erin and Jennifer did such a wonderful job writing this story! It only makes me wish they will collaborate

again on another novel! As a fan out of both of their series, I loved how we got to see characters from both the lovely town of Sapphire Falls and the Kilby Catfish baseball team. "Getting Wound Up" is a winner!
